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Group Art Unit: 3727

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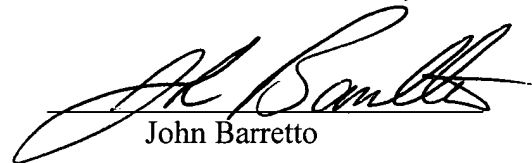
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| Filed: December 7, 2001 |) | Examiner: Joseph Merek |
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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2003, Applicants submit the following Amendment, Election, and Remarks.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Please withdraw claims 6, 8, and 9 as being drawn to non-elected subject matter.
Accordingly, claims 1-5, 7, and 10-22 are pending after entry of the Amendment.